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(54) **Modified oil content in seeds.**

(57) **A method of decreasing the oil content of seeds by expression of ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase.**

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Recent advances in genetic engineering have provided the requisite tools to transform plants to contain foreign genes. It is now possible to produce plants which have unique characteristics of agronomic and crop processing importance. One such advantageous trait is enhanced starch and/or solids content and quality in various crop plants. WO 91/19806 reports the use of a gene which encodes ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase (ADPGPP), which catalyzes a key step in starch and glycogen biosynthesis. The preferred gene is from *E. coli* and the resulting enzyme is a poorly regulated, highly active variant.

Another desirable trait is the reduction of oil in certain food crops, such as peanuts. Decreasing the lipid content in the seeds of certain plants is desirable due to health concerns or for improved processing qualities. For example, a low calorie peanut butter, having a higher starch content and lower oil content would be beneficial. Also, soybeans having lower oil content would be better for producing certain products, such as tofu, soy sauce, soy meat extenders, and soy milk. In addition, lower oil content in certain seed-derived products is desirable, such as corn starch or wheat flour. It has surprisingly been found that such fat reduction is accomplished by expression of a gene encoding a deregulated ADPGPP, such as *glgC16* in the seeds.

15 SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides structural DNA constructs which encode an ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase (ADPGPP) enzyme and which are useful in producing seeds having a reduced oil content.

In accomplishing the foregoing, there is provided, in accordance with one aspect of the present invention, a method of producing genetically transformed plants which have elevated starch content, comprising the steps of:

- (a) inserting into the genome of a plant cell a recombinant, double-stranded DNA molecule comprising
 - (i) a promoter which is selected from the group consisting of seed specific promoters,
 - (ii) a structural DNA sequence that causes the production of an RNA sequence which encodes a fusion polypeptide comprising an amino-terminal plastid transit peptide and an ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase enzyme,
 - (iii) a 3' non-translated DNA sequence which functions in plant cells to cause transcriptional termination and the addition of polyadenylated nucleotides to the 3' end of the RNA sequence;
- (b) obtaining transformed plant cells; and
- (c) regenerating from the transformed plant cells genetically transformed plants which have an elevated starch content.

In accordance with another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a recombinant, double-stranded DNA molecule comprising in sequence:

- (a) a promoter which is selected from the group consisting of seed specific promoters;
- (b) a structural DNA sequence that causes the production of an RNA sequence which encodes a fusion polypeptide comprising an amino-terminal plastid transit peptide and an ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase enzyme; and
- (c) a 3' non-translated region which functions in plant cells to cause transcriptional termination and the addition of polyadenylated nucleotides to the 3' end of the RNA sequence, said promoter being heterologous with respect to the structural DNA.

There has also been provided, in accordance with another aspect of the present invention, transformed plant cells that contain DNA comprised of the above-mentioned elements (a), (b) and (c). In accordance with yet another aspect of the present invention, differentiated oilseed crop plants are provided that have decreased oil content in the seeds.

45 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The expression of a plant gene which exists in double-stranded DNA form involves transcription of messenger RNA (mRNA) from one strand of the DNA by RNA polymerase enzyme, and the subsequent processing of the mRNA primary transcript inside the nucleus. This processing involves a 3' non-translated region which adds polyadenylate nucleotides to the 3' end of the RNA.

Transcription of DNA into mRNA is regulated by a region of DNA usually referred to as the promoter. The promoter region contains a sequence of bases that signals RNA polymerase to associate with the DNA, and to initiate the transcription of mRNA using one of the DNA strands as a template to make a corresponding complementary strand of RNA.

Promoters which are known or are found to cause transcription of DNA in plant cells can be used in the present invention. Such promoters may be obtained from a variety of sources such as plants and plant viruses and include, but are not limited to, the enhanced CaMV35S promoter and promoters isolated from plant genes

such as ssRUBISCO genes. As described below, it is preferred that the particular promoter selected should be capable of causing sufficient expression to result in the production of an effective amount of ADPGPP enzyme to cause the desired decrease in oil content. Therefore, it is preferred to bring about expression of the ADPGPP gene in the seed tissues of the plant and throughout the seed development. The promoter chosen should have the desired tissue and developmental specificity. Those skilled in the art will recognize that the amount of ADPGPP needed to induce the desired decrease in oil content may vary with the type of plant and furthermore that too much ADPGPP activity may be deleterious to the plant. Therefore, promoter function should be optimized by selecting a promoter with the desired tissue expression capabilities and approximate promoter strength and selecting a transformant which produces the desired ADPGPP activity in the target tissues. This selection approach from the pool of transformants is routinely employed in expression of heterologous structural genes in plants since there is variation between transformants containing the same heterologous gene due to the site of gene insertion within the plant genome. (Commonly referred to as "position effect").

Promoters may be identified to be seed specific by screening a cDNA library of a plant seed for genes which are selectively or preferably expressed in seeds and then determine the promoter regions to obtain seed selective or seed enhanced promoters. It is believed that most of the enzymes involved in carbohydrate metabolism have seed-specific forms from which seed-specific promoters may be obtained. Examples of such enzymes are sucrose synthase, invertase, and ADPGPP (both subunits).

Several seed-specific promoters are well known. β -conglycinin (also known as the 7S protein) is one of the major storage proteins in soybean (*Glycine max*) (Tierney, 1987). Promoters from each of the genes for its three subunits may be used in the present invention. The β -subunit of β -conglycinin has been expressed, using its endogenous promoter, in the seeds of transgenic petunia and tobacco, showing that the promoter functions in a seed-specific manner in other plants (Bray, 1987). Example 1 below demonstrates the use of the α' subunit of this promoter with an ADPGPP in canola. The gene for the 11S storage protein of soybean is also known to be expressed in a seed-specific manner and its promoter may be used in the present invention.

Two seed-specific promoters from *Brassica napus* have been identified. They are the promoter for napin and the promoter for cruciferin (Murphy, 1989). The promoters for the genes encoding phaseolin (from beans) and oleosin (from rape, soybean, and others) are also useful in the present invention. (Zheng, 1993).

The zeins are a group of storage proteins found in maize endosperm. Genomic clones for zein genes have been isolated (Pedersen, 1982), and the promoters from these clones, including the 15 kD, 16 kD, 19 kD, 22 kD, 27 kD, and gamma genes, could also be used to express an ADPGPP gene in the seeds of maize and other plants. An endosperm-specific promoter of the 19 kD zein has been identified (Quattrocchio, 1990). Other promoters known to function in maize include the promoters for the following genes: waxy, Brittle, Shrunken 2, Branching enzymes I and II, starch synthases, debranching enzymes, oleosins, glutelins, and sucrose synthases.

Examples of promoters suitable for expression of an ADPGPP gene in wheat include those for the genes for the ADPGPP subunits, for the granule bound and other starch synthases, for the branching and debranching enzymes, for the embryogenesis-abundant proteins, for the gliadins, and for the glutenins. Examples of such promoters in rice include those for the genes for the ADPGPP subunits, for the granule bound and other starch synthases, for the branching enzymes, for the debranching enzymes, for sucrose synthases, and for the glutelins (Zheng, 1993). Examples of such promoters for barley include those for the genes for the ADPGPP subunits, for the granule bound and other starch synthases, for the branching enzymes, for the debranching enzymes, for sucrose synthases, for the hordeins, for the embryo globulins, and the aleurone specific proteins.

Promoters for genes encoding proteins other than for storage or carbohydrate metabolism may be found to be useful in the present invention. For example, the acyl carrier protein gene has a promoter known to function in a seed-specific manner. (Baerson, 1993).

The RNA produced by a DNA construct of the present invention also contains a 5' non-translated leader sequence. This sequence can be derived from the promoter selected to express the gene, and can be specifically modified so as to increase translation of the mRNA. The 5' non-translated regions can also be obtained from viral RNAs, from suitable eukaryotic genes, or from a synthetic gene sequence. The present invention is not limited to constructs, as presented in the following examples, wherein the non-translated region is derived from the 5' non-translated sequence that accompanies the promoter sequence. Rather, the non-translated leader sequence can be derived from an unrelated promoter or coding sequence as discussed above.

The DNA constructs of the present invention also contain a structural coding sequence in double-stranded DNA form, which encodes a fusion polypeptide comprising an amino-terminal plastid transit peptide and an ADPGPP enzyme. The ADPGPP enzyme utilized in the present invention is preferably subject to reduced allosteric control in plants. Such an unregulated ADPGPP enzyme may be selected from known enzymes which exhibit unregulated enzymatic activity or can be produced by mutagenesis of native bacterial, or algal or plant ADPGPP enzymes as discussed in greater detail hereinafter. In some instances, the substantial differences

in the nature of regulators modulating the activity of the wild type ADPGPP enzyme permits the use of the wild type gene itself; in these instances, the concentration of the regulators within plant organelles will facilitate elicitation of significant ADPGPP enzyme activity.

5 Bacterial ADPglucose Pyrophosphorylases

The *E. coli* ADPGPP has been well characterized as a tightly regulated enzyme. The activator fructose 1,6-bisphosphate has been shown to activate the enzyme by increasing its V_{max} , and by increasing the affinity of the enzyme for its substrates (Preiss, 1966 and Gentner, 1967). In addition, fructose 1,6-bisphosphate (FBP) also modulates the sensitivity of the enzyme to the inhibitors adenosine-5'-monophosphate (AMP) and inorganic phosphate (P_i) (Gentner, 1968).

In 1981, the *E. coli* K12 ADPGPP gene (*glgC*), along with the genes for glycogen synthase and branching enzyme, were cloned, and the resulting plasmid was named pOP12 (Okita, 1981). The *glgC* gene, which was sequenced in 1983, contains 1293 bp (SEQ ID NO:1) and encodes 431 amino acids (SEQ ID NO:2) with a deduced molecular weight of 48,762 (Baecker, 1983).

The *glgC*16 gene was generated by chemically mutagenizing *E. coli* K12 strain PA 601 with N-methyl-N'-nitrosoguanidine (Cattaneo, 1969 and Creuzet-Sigal, 1972). When the kinetics of the *glgC*16 ADPGPP were compared to the parent, it was found that the *glgC*16 ADPGPP had a higher affinity for ADPglucose in the absence of the activator, fructose 1,6-bisphosphate (FBP), and the concentration of FBP needed for half-maximal activation of the enzyme was decreased in *glgC*16. The inhibition of the ADPGPP activity in *glgC*16 by 5'-AMP (AMP) was also reduced.

The DNA sequence of the *glgC*16 gene is now known (SEQ ID NO:3) (Kumar, 1989). When the *glgC*16 deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:4) was compared to the nonisogenic *E. coli* K-12 3000, one amino acid change was noted: Gly 336 to Asp (Meyer et al., 1993).

A number of other ADPGPP mutants have been found in *E. coli*. The expression of any of these or other bacterial ADPGPP wild type or mutants could also be used to increase starch production in plants. *E. coli* K12 strain 6047 (*glgC*47) accumulates about the same amount of glycogen during stationary phase as does strain 618 (*glgC*16). Strain 6047, like 618, shows a higher apparent affinity for FBP, and more activity in the absence of FBP. However, the enzyme from strain 6047 is reportedly more sensitive to inhibition by AMP compared to the enzyme from strain 618 (Latil-Damotte, 1977).

The *glgC* gene from *Salmonella typhimurium* LT2 has also been cloned and sequenced (Leung and Preiss 1987a). The gene encodes 431 amino acids with a deduced molecular weight of 45,580. The *Salmonella typhimurium* LT2 *glgC* gene and the same gene from *E. coli* K-12 have 90% identity at the amino acid level and 80% identity at the DNA level. Like the *E. coli* ADPGPP, the *Salmonella typhimurium* LT2 ADPGPP is also activated by FBP and is inhibited by AMP (Leung and Preiss 1987b). This substantial conservation in amino acid sequences suggests that introduction of mutations which cause enhancement of ADPGPP activity in *E. coli* into *S. typhimurium* ADPGPP gene should have a similar effect on the ADPGPP enzyme of this organism.

A number of other bacterial ADPGPPs have been characterized by their response to activators and inhibitors (for review see: Preiss 1973). Like the *Escherichia coli* ADPGPP, the ADPGPPs from *Aerobacter aerogenes*, *Aerobacter cloacae*, *Citrobacter freundii*, and *Escherichia aureescens* are all activated by FBP and are inhibited by AMP. The ADPGPP from *Aeromonas formicans* is activated by fructose 6-phosphate or FBP, and is inhibited by ADP. The *Serratia marcescens* ADPGPP, however, was not activated by any metabolite tested. The photosynthetic *Rhodospirillum rubrum* has an ADPGPP that is activated by pyruvate, and none of the tested compounds, including P_i , AMP or ADP, inhibit the enzyme. Several algal ADPGPPs have been studied and found to have regulation similar to that found for plant ADPGPPs. Obviously, the ADPGPPs from many organisms could be used to increase starch biosynthesis and accumulation in plants.

Plant ADPglucose Pyrophosphorylases

At one time, UDPglucose was thought to be the primary substrate for starch biosynthesis in plants. However, ADPglucose was found to be a better substrate for starch biosynthesis than UDPglucose (Recondo, 1961). This same report states that ADPGPP activity was found in plant material.

A spinach leaf ADPGPP was partially purified and was shown to be activated by 3-phosphoglycerate (3-PGA) and inhibited by inorganic phosphate (Ghosh et al., 1966). The report by Ghosh et al. suggested that the biosynthesis of leaf starch was regulated by the level of ADPglucose. The activator, 3-PGA, is the primary product of CO_2 fixation in photosynthesis. During photosynthesis, the levels of 3-PGA would increase, causing activation of ADPGPP. At the same time, the levels of P_i would decrease because of photophosphorylation, decreasing the inhibition of ADPGPP. These changes would cause an increase in ADPglucose production and

starch biosynthesis. During darkness, 3-PGA levels would decrease, and P_i levels would increase, decreasing the activity of ADPGPP and, therefore, decreasing biosynthesis of ADPglucose and starch.

The ADPGPP from spinach leaves was later purified to homogeneity and shown to contain subunits of 51 and 54 kDa (Morell, 1987). Based on antibodies raised against the two subunits, the 51 kDa protein has homology with both the maize endosperm and potato tuber ADPGPPs, but not with the spinach leaf 54 kDa protein.

The sequence of a rice endosperm ADPGPP subunit cDNA clone has been reported (Anderson, 1989a). The clone encoded a protein of 483 amino acids. A comparison of the rice endosperm ADPGPP and the *E. coli* ADPGPP protein sequences shows about 30% identity. Also in 1989, an almost full-length cDNA clone for the wheat endosperm ADPGPP was sequenced (Olive, 1989). The wheat endosperm ADPGPP clone has about 24% identity with the *E. coli* ADPGPP protein sequence, while the wheat and the rice clones have 40% identity at the protein level.

The maize endosperm ADPGPP has been purified and shown to have catalytic and regulatory properties similar to those of other plant ADPGPPs (Plaxton, 1987). The native molecular weight of the maize endosperm enzyme is 230,000, and it is composed of four subunits of similar size.

The native molecular weight of the potato tuber ADPGPP is reported to be 200,000, with a subunit size of 50,000 (Sowokinos, 1982). Activity of the tuber ADPGPP is almost completely dependent on 3-PGA, and as with other plant ADPGPPs, is inhibited by P_i . The potato tuber and leaf ADPGPPs have been demonstrated to be similar in physical, catalytic, and allosteric properties (Anderson, 1989b).

20 Production of Altered ADPglucose Pyrophosphorylase Genes by Mutagenesis

Those skilled in the art will recognize that while not absolutely required, enhanced results are to be obtained by using ADPGPP genes which are subject to reduced allosteric regulation ("deregulated") and more preferably not subject to significant levels of allosteric regulation ("unregulated") while maintaining adequate catalytic activity. In cells which do not normally accumulate significant quantities of starch, expression of a "regulated" enzyme may be sufficient. In starch-accumulating cells and tissues, a "deregulated" or "unregulated" enzyme is the preferred system. The structural coding sequence for a bacterial or plant ADPGPP enzyme can be mutagenized in *E. coli* or another suitable host and screened for increased glycogen production as described for the *glgC16* gene of *E. coli*. It should be realized that use of a gene encoding an ADPGPP enzyme which is only subject to modulators (activators/inhibitors) which are present in the selected plant at levels which do not significantly inhibit the catalytic activity will not require enzyme (gene) modification. These "unregulated" or "deregulated" ADPGPP genes can then be inserted into plants as described herein to obtain transgenic plants having increased starch content.

For example, any ADPGPP gene can be cloned into the *E. coli* B strain AC70R1-504 (Leung, 1986). This strain has a defective ADPGPP gene, and is derepressed five- to seven-fold for the other glycogen biosynthetic enzymes. The ADPGPP gene/ cDNA's can be put on a plasmid behind the *E. coli glgC* promoter or any other bacterial promoter. This construct can then be subjected to either site-directed or random mutagenesis. After mutagenesis, the cells would be plated on rich medium with 1% glucose. After the colonies have developed, the plates would be flooded with iodine solution (0.2 w/v% I_2 , 0.4 w/v% KI in H_2O , Creuzet-Sigal, 1972). By comparison with an identical plate containing non-mutated *E. coli*, colonies that are producing more glycogen can be detected by their darker staining.

Since the mutagenesis procedure could have created promoter mutations, any putative ADPGPP mutant from the first round screening will have to have the ADPGPP gene recloned into non-mutated vector and the resulting plasmid will be screened in the same manner. The mutants that make it through both rounds of screening will then have their ADPGPP activities assayed with and without the activators and inhibitors. By comparing the mutated ADPGPP's responses to activators and inhibitors to the non-mutated enzymes, the new mutant can be characterized.

The report by Plaxton and Preiss in 1987 demonstrates that the maize endosperm ADPGPP has regulatory properties similar to those of the other plant ADPGPPs. They show that earlier reports claiming that the maize endosperm ADPGPP had enhanced activity in the absence of activator (3-PGA) and decreased sensitivity to the inhibitor (P_i), was due to proteolytic cleavage of the enzyme during the isolation procedure. By altering an ADPGPP gene to produce an enzyme analogous to the proteolytically cleaved maize endosperm ADPGPP, decreased allosteric regulation will be achieved. The recent report concerning the apparent novelty of the regulation of the barley endosperm ADPGPP and its apparent insensitivity to 3-PGA is not generally accepted since the report shows that the enzyme preparation was rapidly degraded and may suffer from the same problems identified for the corn endosperm preparation.

To assay a liquid culture of *E. coli* for ADPGPP activity, the cells are spun down in a centrifuge and resuspended in about 2 ml of extraction buffer (0.05 M glycylglycine pH 7.0, 5.0 mM DTE, 1.0 mM EDTA) per

gram of cell paste. The cells are lysed by passing twice through a French Press. The cell extracts are spun in a microcentrifuge for 5 minutes, and the supernatants are desalted by passing through a G-50 spin column.

The enzyme assay for the synthesis of ADPGlucose is a modification of a published procedure (Haugen, 1976). Each 100 μ l assay contains: 10 μ mole Hepes pH 7.7, 50 μ g BSA, 0.05 μ mole of [14 C]glucose-1-phosphate, 0.15 μ mole ATP, 0.5 μ mole $MgCl_2$, 0.1 μ g of crystalline yeast inorganic pyrophosphatase, 1 mM ammonium molybdate, enzyme, activators or inhibitors as desired, and water. The assay is incubated at 37°C for 10 minutes, and is stopped by boiling for 60 seconds. The assay is spun down in a microcentrifuge, and 40 μ l of the supernatant is injected onto a Synchrom Synchropak AX-100 anion exchange HPLC column. The sample is eluted with 65 mM KPi pH 5.5. Unreacted [14 C]glucose-1-phosphate elutes around 7-8 minutes, and [14 C]ADPGlucose elutes at approximately 13 minutes. Enzyme activity is determined by the amount of radioactivity found in the ADPGlucose peak.

The plant ADPGPP enzyme activity is tightly regulated, by both positive (3-phosphoglycerate; 3-PGA) and negative effectors (inorganic phosphate; P_i) (Ghosh and Preiss, 1986; Copeland and Preiss 1981; Sowokinos and Preiss 1982; Morell et al., 1987; Plaxton and Preiss, 1987; Preiss, 1988;) and the ratio of 3-PGA:P_i plays a prominent role in regulating starch biosynthesis by modulating the ADPGPP activity (Kaiser and Bassham, 1979). The plant ADPGPP enzymes are heterotetramers of two large/"shrunk" and two small/"Brittle" subunits (Morell et al., 1987; Lin et al., 1988a, 1988b; Krishnan et al., 1986; Okita et al., 1990) and there is strong evidence to suggest that the heterotetramer is the most active form of ADPGPP. Support for this suggestion comes from the isolation of plant "starchless" mutants that are deficient in either of the subunits (Dickinson and Preiss, 1969; Lin et al., 1988a, 1988b) and from the characterization of an "ADPGPP" homotetramer of small subunits that was found to have only low enzyme activity (Lin et al., 1988b). In addition, proposed effector interaction residues have been identified for both subunits (Morell et al., 1988). Direct evidence for the active form of the enzyme and further support of the kinetic data reported for the purified potato enzyme comes from the expression of potato ADPGPP activity in *E. coli* and the comparison of the kinetic properties of this material and that from potato tubers (Iglesias et al., 1993).

Unregulated enzyme variants of the plant ADPGPP are identified and characterized in a manner similar to that which resulted in the isolation of the *E. coli glgC16* and related mutants. A number of plant ADPGPP cDNA's, or portions of such cDNA's, for both the large and small subunits, have been cloned from both monocots and dicots (Anderson et al., 1989a; Olive et al., 1989; Muller et al., 1990). The proteins encoded by the plant cDNA's, as well as those described from bacteria, show a high degree of conservation (Bhave et al., 1990). In particular, a highly conserved region, also containing some of the residues implicated in enzyme function and effector interactions, has been identified (Morell et al., 1988; Smith-White and Preiss, 1992). Clones of the potato tuber ADPGPP subunit genes have been isolated. These include a complete small subunit gene, assembled by addition of sequences from the first exon of the genomic clone with a nearly full-length cDNA clone of the same gene, and an almost complete gene for the large subunit. The nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:7) and the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:8) of the assembled small subunit gene are given below. The nucleotide sequence presented here differs from the gene originally isolated in the following ways: a *Bgl*II+*Nco*I site was introduced at the ATG codon to facilitate the cloning of the gene into *E. coli* and plant expression vectors by site directed mutagenesis utilizing the oligonucleotide primer sequence

GTTGATAACAAGATCTGTAAACCATGGCGGCTTCC (SEQ ID NO:11).

A *Sac*I site was introduced at the stop codon utilizing the oligonucleotide primer sequence

CCAGTTAAAACGGAGCTCATCAGATGATGATTC (SEQ ID NO:12).

The *Sac*I site serves as a 3' cloning site. An internal *Bgl*II site was removed utilizing the oligonucleotide primer sequence

GTGTGAGAACATAAATCTTGATATGTTAC (SEQ ID NO:13).

This assembled gene was expressed in *E. coli* under the control of the *recA* promoter in a *PreCA-gene10L* expression cassette (Wong et al., 1988) to produce measurable levels of the protein. An initiating methionine codon is placed by site-directed mutagenesis utilizing the oligonucleotide primer sequence

GAATTCACAGGGCCATGGCTCTAGACCC (SEQ ID NO:14)

to express the mature gene.

The nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:9) and the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:10) of the almost complete large subunit gene are given below. An initiating methionine codon has been placed at the mature N-terminus by site-directed mutagenesis utilizing the oligonucleotide primer sequence

AAGATCAAACCTGCCATGGCTTACTCTGTGATCACTACTG (SEQ ID NO:15).

The purpose of the initiating methionine is to facilitate the expression of this large subunit gene in *E. coli*. A *HindIII* site is located 103 bp after the stop codon and serves as the 3' cloning site. The complete large ADPGPP gene is isolated by the 5' RACE procedure (Rapid Amplification of cDNA Ends; Frohman, 1990; Loh, 1989). The oligonucleotide primers for this procedure are as follows:

- 1) GGGAATTCAAGCTTGGATCCCGGGCCCCCCCCCCCCCCCCC (SEQ ID NO:16);
- 2) GGGAATTCAAGCTTGGATCCCGGG (SEQ ID NO:17); and
- 3) CCTCTAGACAGTCGATCAGGAGCAGATGTACG (SEQ ID NO:18).

The first two are the equivalent to the ANpolyC and the AN primers of Loh et al. (1989), respectively, and the third is the reverse complement to a sequence in the large ADPGPP gene, located after the *Pst*I site in SEQ ID NO:9. The PCR 5' sequence products are cloned as *EcoRI/HindIII/BamHI-PstI* fragments and are easily assembled with the existing gene portion.

The weakly regulated enzyme mutants of ADPGPP are identified by initially scoring colonies from a mutagenized *E. coli* culture that show elevated glycogen synthesis, by iodine staining of 24-48 hour colonies on Luria-Agar plates containing glucose at 1%, and then by characterizing the responses of the ADPGPP enzymes from these isolates to the positive and negative effectors of this activity (Cattaneo et al., 1969; Preiss et al., 1971). A similar approach is applied to the isolation of such variants of the plant ADPGPP enzymes. Given an expression system for each of the subunit genes, mutagenesis of each gene is carried out separately, by any of a variety of known means, both chemical or physical (Miller, 1972) on cultures containing the gene or on purified DNA. Another approach is to use a PCR procedure (Ehrlich, 1989) on the complete gene in the presence of inhibiting Mn^{++} ions, a condition that leads to a high rate of misincorporation of nucleotides. A PCR procedure may also be used with primers adjacent to just a specific region of the gene, and this mutagenized fragment then recloned into the non-mutagenized gene segments. A random synthetic oligo-nucleotide procedure may also be used to generate a highly mutagenized short region of the gene by mixing of nucleotides in the synthesis reaction to result in misincorporation at all positions in this region. This small region is flanked by restriction sites that are used to reinsert this region into the remainder of the gene. The resultant cultures or transformants are screened by the standard iodine method for those exhibiting glycogen levels higher than controls. Preferably this screening is carried out in an *E. coli* strain deficient only in ADPGPP activity and is phenotypically glycogen-minus and that is complemented to glycogen-plus by *glgC*. The *E. coli* strain should retain those other activities required for glycogen production. Both genes are expressed together in the same *E. coli* host by placing the genes on compatible plasmids with different selectable marker genes, and these plasmids also have similar copy numbers in the bacterial host to maximize heterotetramer formation. An example of such an expression system is the combination of pMON17335 and pMON17336 (Iglesias et al., 1993). The use of separate plasmids enables the screening of a mutagenized population of one gene alone, or in conjunction with the second gene following transformation into a competent host expressing the other gene, and the screening of two mutagenized populations following the combining of these in the same host. Following re-isolation of the plasmid DNA from colonies with increased iodine staining, the ADPGPP coding sequences are recloned into expression vectors, the phenotype verified, and the ADPGPP activity and its response to the effector molecules determined. Improved variants will display increased V_{max} , reduced inhibition by the negative effector (P_i), or reduced dependence upon activator (3-PGA) for maximal activity. The assay for such improved characteristics involves the determination of ADPGPP activity in the presence of P_i at 0.045 mM ($I_{0.5} = 0.045$ mM) or in the presence of 3-PGA at 0.075 mM ($A_{0.5} = 0.075$ mM). The useful variants will display <40% inhibition at this concentration of P_i or display >50% activity at this concentration of 3-PGA. Following the isolation of improved variants and the determination of the subunit or subunits responsible, the mutation(s) are

determined by nucleotide sequencing. The mutation is confirmed by recreating this change by site-directed mutagenesis and reassay of ADPGPP activity in the presence of activator and inhibitor. This mutation is then transferred to the equivalent complete ADPGPP cDNA gene, by recloning the region containing the change from the altered bacterial expression form to the plant form containing the amyloplast targeting sequence, or by site-directed mutagenesis of the complete native ADPGPP plant gene.

Chloroplast/Amyloplast Directed Expression of ADPGPP Activity

Starch biosynthesis is known to take place in plant chloroplasts and amyloplasts (herein collectively referred to as plastids). In the plants that have been studied, the ADPGPP is localized to these plastids. Many chloroplast-localized proteins are expressed from nuclear genes as precursors and are targeted to the chloroplast by a chloroplast transit peptide (CTP) that is removed during the import steps. Examples of such chloroplast proteins include the small subunit of Ribulose-1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase (ssRUBISCO, SSU), 5-enolpyruvateshikimate-3-phosphate synthase (EPSPS), Ferredoxin, Ferredoxin oxidoreductase, the Light-harvesting-complex protein I and protein II, and Thioredoxin F. It has been demonstrated *in vivo* and *in vitro* that non-chloroplast proteins may be targeted to the chloroplast by use of protein fusions with a CTP and that a CTP sequence is sufficient to target a protein to the chloroplast. Likewise, amyloplast-localized proteins are expressed from nuclear genes as precursors and are targeted to the amyloplast by an amyloplast transit peptide (ATP).

In the exemplary embodiments, a specialized CTP, derived from the ssRUBISCO 1A gene from *Arabidopsis thaliana* (SSU 1A) (Timko, 1988) was used. This CTP (CTP1) was constructed by a combination of site-directed mutageneses. The CTP1 nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:5) and the corresponding amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:6) are given below. CTP1 is made up of the SSU 1A CTP (amino acid 1-55), the first 23 amino acids of the mature SSU 1A protein (56-78), a serine residue (amino acid 79), a new segment that repeats amino acids 50 to 56 from the CTP and the first two from the mature protein (amino acids 80-87), and an alanine and methionine residue (amino acid 88 and 89). An *NcoI* restriction site is located at the 3' end (spans the Met codon) to facilitate the construction of precise fusions to the 5' of an ADPGPP gene. At a later stage, a *BglII* site was introduced upstream of the N-terminus of the SSU 1A sequences to facilitate the introduction of the fusions into plant transformation vectors. A fusion was assembled between the structural DNA encoding the CTP1 CTP and the *glgC16* gene from *E. coli* to produce a complete structural DNA sequence encoding the plastid transit peptide/ADPGPP fusion polypeptide.

Those skilled in the art will recognize that if either a single plant ADPGPP cDNA encoding shrunken and/or brittle subunits or both plant ADPGPP cDNA's encoding shrunken and brittle subunits is utilized in the practice of the present invention, the endogenous CTP or ATP could most easily and preferably be used. Hence, for purposes of the present invention the term "plastid transit peptides" should be interpreted to include both chloroplast transit peptides and amyloplast transit peptides. Those skilled in the art will also recognize that various other chimeric constructs can be made which utilize the functionality of a particular plastid transit peptide to import the contiguous ADPGPP enzyme into the plant cell chloroplast/amyloplast depending on the promoter tissue specificity.

Polyadenylation Signal

The 3' non-translated region of the chimeric plant gene contains a polyadenylation signal which functions in plants to cause the addition of polyadenylate nucleotides to the 3' end of the RNA. Examples of suitable 3' regions are (1) the 3' transcribed, non-translated regions containing the polyadenylated signal of *Agrobacterium* the tumor-inducing (Ti) plasmid genes, such as the nopaline synthase (NOS) gene, and (2) plant genes like the soybean storage protein genes and the small subunit of the ribulose-1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase (ssRUBISCO) gene. An example of a preferred 3' region is that from the NOS gene, described in greater detail in the examples below.

Plant Transformation/Regeneration

Plants which can be made to have decreased oil content by practice of the present invention include, but are not limited to, corn, wheat, rice, pea, peanut, canola/oilseed rape, cotton, barley, sorghum, soybean, sunflower, almond, cashew, pecan, and walnut.

A double-stranded DNA molecule of the present invention containing the functional plant ADPGPP gene can be inserted into the genome of a plant by any suitable method. Suitable plant transformation vectors include those derived from a Ti plasmid of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*, as well as those disclosed, e.g., by Herrera-

Estrella (1983), Bevan (1983), Klee (1985) and EPO publication 120,516 (Schilperoort et al.). In addition to plant transformation vectors derived from the Ti or root-inducing (Ri) plasmids of *Agrobacterium*, alternative methods can be used to insert the DNA constructs of this invention into plant cells. Such methods may involve, for example, the use of liposomes, electroporation, chemicals that increase free DNA uptake, free DNA delivery via microprojectile bombardment, and transformation using viruses or pollen.

Examples of vectors designed for the expression of *glgC16* and other ADPGPP genes in monocots and dicots are reported by Kishore in WO 91/19806. These are used to transform the desired plant cells by the appropriate method.

When adequate numbers of cells (or protoplasts) containing the ADPGPP gene or cDNA are obtained, the cells (or protoplasts) are regenerated into whole plants. Choice of methodology for the regeneration step is not critical, with suitable protocols being available for hosts from Leguminosae (alfalfa, soybean, clover, etc.), Cruciferae (cabbage, radish, canola/rapeseed, etc.), Gramineae (wheat, barley, rice, corn, etc.), various floral crops, such as sunflower, and nut-bearing trees, such as almonds, cashews, walnuts, and pecans. See, e.g., Ammirato, 1984; Shimamoto, 1989; Fromm, 1990; Vasil, 1990; Hayashimoto, 1989; and Datta, 1990.

The following examples are provided to better elucidate the practice of the present invention and should not be interpreted in any way to limit the scope of the present invention. Those skilled in the art will recognize that various modifications, truncations, etc. can be made to the methods and genes described herein while not departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention.

20 Example 1

To express the *E. coli glgC16* gene in plant cells, and to target the enzyme to the plastids, the gene needed to be fused to a DNA encoding the plastid-targeting transit peptide (hereinafter referred to as the CTP/ADPGPP gene), and to the proper plant regulatory regions. Detailed examples of how to accomplish this may be found in WO 91/19806.

The CTP-*glgC16* gene fusion was placed behind the soybean β -conglycinin 7S storage promoter described above. This cassette was cloned into pMON17227, a Ti plasmid vector disclosed and described by Barry et al. in WO 92/04449 (1991), to form the vector pMON17315. This vector was used to transform canola by *Agrobacterium* transformation followed by glyphosate selection. Regenerated plants were analyzed and the presence of the enzyme in most transformants was confirmed by Western blot analysis. Seeds from four transformed lines have been obtained and analyzed for oil, starch, and protein content and moisture. The starch content was found to have increased to 8.2-18.2 percent (based on fresh weight) as compared to 0.9-1.6 percent in control lines (transformed with pMON17227 only). The oil content was found to have been decreased from 26.7-31.6 percent in the controls to 13.0-15.5 percent in the transformed lines. Protein content and moisture were not significantly changed. In some lines seed weight was increased which may indicate that total yield may also be increased.

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35	GAT CTG GCC TCT GTG GTG CCG GAG CTG GAT ATG TAC GAT CGC AAT TGG	912
	Asp Leu Ala Ser Val Val Pro Glu Leu Asp Met Tyr Asp Arg Asn Trp	
	290 295 300	
40	CCA ATT CGC ACC TAC AAT GAA TCA TTA CCG CCA GCG AAA TTC GTG CAG	960
	Pro Ile Arg Thr Tyr Asn Glu Ser Leu Pro Pro Ala Lys Phe Val Gln	
	305 310 315 320	
45	GAT CGC TCC GGT AGC CAC GGG ATG ACC CTT AAC TCA CTG GTT TCC GAC	1008
	Asp Arg Ser Gly Ser His Gly Met Thr Leu Asn Ser Leu Val Ser Asp	
	325 330 335	
50	GGT TGT GTG ATC TCC GGT TCG GTG GTG GTG CAG TCC GTT CTG TTC TCG	1056
	Gly Cys Val Ile Ser Gly Ser Val Val Val Gln Ser Val Leu Phe Ser	
	340 345 350	
55	CGC GTT CGC GTG AAT TCA TTC TGC AAC ATT GAT TCC GCC GTA TTG TTA	1104
	Arg Val Arg Val Asn Ser Phe Cys Asn Ile Asp Ser Ala Val Leu Leu	
	355 360 365	
60	CCG GAA GTA TGG GTA GGT CGC TCG TGC CGT CTG CGC CGC TGC GTC ATC	1152
	Pro Glu Val Trp Val Gly Arg Ser Cys Arg Leu Arg Arg Cys Val Ile	
	370 375 380	
65	GAT CGT GCT TGT GTT ATT CCG GAA GGC ATG GTG ATT GGT GAA AAC GCA	1200
	Asp Arg Ala Cys Val Ile Pro Glu Gly Met Val Ile Gly Glu Asn Ala	
	385 390 395 400	
70	GAG GAA GAT GCA CGT CGT TTC TAT CGT TCA GAA GAA GGC ATC GTG CTG	1248

Glu Glu Asp Ala Arg Arg Phe Tyr Arg Ser Glu Glu Gly Ile Val Leu
 405 410 415

5 GTA ACG CGC GAA ATC CTA CGG AAG TTA GGG CAT AAA CAG GAG CGA TAA 1296
 Val Thr Arg Glu Met Leu Arg Lys Leu Gly His Lys Gln Glu Arg
 420 425 430

10 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 431 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(x) PUBLICATION INFORMATION:

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(H) DOCUMENT NUMBER: EP 0536293 A1
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 (J) PUBLICATION DATE: 14-APR-1993
 (K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 4: FROM 1 TO 431

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

Met Val Ser Leu Glu Lys Asn Asp His Leu Met Leu Ala Arg Gln Leu
 1 5 10 15

30 Pro Leu Lys Ser Val Ala Leu Ile Leu Ala Gly Gly Arg Gly Thr Arg
 20 25 30

Leu Lys Asp Leu Thr Asn Lys Arg Ala Lys Pro Ala Val His Phe Gly
 35 40 45

35 Gly Lys Phe Arg Ile Ile Asp Phe Ala Leu Ser Asn Cys Ile Asn Ser
 50 55 60

Gly Ile Arg Arg Met Gly Val Ile Thr Gln Tyr Gln Ser His Thr Leu
 65 70 75 80

40 Val Gln His Ile Gln Arg Gly Trp Ser Phe Phe Asn Glu Glu Met Asn
 85 90 95

45 Glu Phe Val Asp Leu Leu Pro Ala Gln Gln Arg Met Lys Gly Glu Asn
 100 105 110

Trp Tyr Arg Gly Thr Ala Asp Ala Val Thr Gln Asn Leu Asp Ile Ile
 115 120 125

50 Arg Arg Tyr Lys Ala Glu Tyr Val Val Ile Leu Ala Gly Asp His Ile
 130 135 140

Tyr Lys Gln Asp Tyr Ser Arg Met Leu Ile Asp His Val Glu Lys Gly
 145 150 155 160

55 Val Arg Cys Thr Val Val Cys Met Pro Val Pro Ile Glu Glu Ala Ser

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5	Ala Phe Gly Val Met Ala Val Asp Glu Asn Asp Lys Thr Ile Glu Phe 180 185 190		
	Val Glu Lys Pro Ala Asn Pro Pro Ser Met Pro Asn Asp Pro Ser Lys 195 200 205		
10	Ser Leu Ala Ser Met Gly Ile Tyr Val Phe Asp Ala Asp Tyr Leu Tyr 210 215 220		
	Glu Leu Leu Glu Glu Asp Asp Arg Asp Glu Asn Ser Ser His Asp Phe 225 230 235 240		
15	Gly Lys Asp Leu Ile Pro Lys Ile Thr Glu Ala Gly Leu Ala Tyr Ala 245 250 255		
	His Pro Phe Pro Leu Ser Cys Val Gln Ser Asp Pro Asp Ala Glu Pro 260 265 270		
20	Tyr Trp Arg Asp Val Gly Thr Leu Glu Ala Tyr Trp Lys Ala Asn Leu 275 280 285		
	Asp Leu Ala Ser Val Val Pro Glu Leu Asp Met Tyr Asp Arg Asn Trp 290 295 300		
25	Pro Ile Arg Thr Tyr Asn Glu Ser Leu Pro Pro Ala Lys Phe Val Gln 305 310 315 320		
30	Asp Arg Ser Gly Ser His Gly Met Thr Leu Asn Ser Leu Val Ser Asp 325 330 335		
	Gly Cys Val Ile Ser Gly Ser Val Val Val Gln Ser Val Leu Phe Ser 340 345 350		
35	Arg Val Arg Val Asn Ser Phe Cys Asn Ile Asp Ser Ala Val Leu Leu 355 360 365		
	Pro Glu Val Trp Val Gly Arg Ser Cys Arg Leu Arg Arg Cys Val Ile 370 375 380		
40	Asp Arg Ala Cys Val Ile Pro Glu Gly Met Val Ile Gly Glu Asn Ala 385 390 395 400		
	Glu Glu Asp Ala Arg Arg Phe Tyr Arg Ser Glu Glu Gly Ile Val Leu 405 410 415		
45	Val Thr Arg Glu Met Leu Arg Lys Leu Gly His Lys Gln Glu Arg 420 425 430		

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 355 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: double

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS

(B) LOCATION: 88..354

(x) PUBLICATION INFORMATION:

(H) DOCUMENT NUMBER: EP 0536293 A1

(I) FILING DATE: 07-JUN-1991

(J) PUBLICATION DATE: 14-APR-1993

(K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 5: FROM 1 TO 355

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

20 AAGCTTGTTTC TCATTGTTGT TATCATTATA TATAGATGAC CAAAGCACTA GACCAAACCT 60
 CAGTCACACA AAGAGTAAAG AAGAACA ATG GCT TCC TCT ATG CTC TCT TCC 111
 Met Ala Ser Ser Met Leu Ser Ser
 1 5
 25 GCT ACT ATG GTT GCC TCT CCG GCT CAG GCC ACT ATG GTC GCT CCT TTC 159
 Ala Thr Met Val Ala Ser Pro Ala Gln Ala Thr Met Val Ala Pro Phe
 10 15 20
 30 AAC GGA CTT AAG TCC TCC GCT GCC TTC CCA GCC ACC CGC AAG GCT AAC 207
 Asn Gly Leu Lys Ser Ser Ala Ala Phe Pro Ala Thr Arg Lys Ala Asn
 25 30 35 40
 AAC GAC ATT ACT TCC ATC ACA AGC AAC GGC GGA AGA GTT AAC TGC ATG 255
 Asn Asp Ile Thr Ser Ile Thr Ser Asn Gly Gly Arg Val Asn Cys Met
 35 45 50 55
 CAG GTG TGG CCT CCG ATT GGA AAG AAG AAG TTT GAG ACT CTC TCT TAC 303
 Gln Val Trp Pro Pro Ile Gly Lys Lys Lys Phe Glu Thr Leu Ser Tyr
 60 65 70
 40 CTT CCT GAC CTT ACC GAT TCC GGT GGT CGC GTC AAC TGC ATG CAG GCC 351
 Leu Pro Asp Leu Thr Asp Ser Gly Gly Arg Val Asn Cys Met Gln Ala
 75 80 85
 45 ATG G 355
 Met

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 89 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(x) PUBLICATION INFORMATION:

5 (H) DOCUMENT NUMBER: EP 0536293 A1
 (I) FILING DATE: 07-JUN-1991
 (J) PUBLICATION DATE: 14-APR-1993
 (K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 6: FROM 1 TO 89

10 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

Met Ala Ser Ser Met Leu Ser Ser Ala Thr Met Val Ala Ser Pro Ala
 1 5 10 15
 15 Gln Ala Thr Met Val Ala Pro Phe Asn Gly Leu Lys Ser Ser Ala Ala
 20 25 30
 Phe Pro Ala Thr Arg Lys Ala Asn Asn Asp Ile Thr Ser Ile Thr Ser
 35 40 45
 20 Asn Gly Gly Arg Val Asn Cys Met Gln Val Trp Pro Pro Ile Gly Lys
 50 55 60
 Lys Lys Phe Glu Thr Leu Ser Tyr Leu Pro Asp Leu Thr Asp Ser Gly
 65 70 75 80
 25 Gly Arg Val Asn Cys Met Gln Ala Met
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

30 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 1575 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 35 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

40 (ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 (B) LOCATION: 3..1565

45 (x) PUBLICATION INFORMATION:

(H) DOCUMENT NUMBER: EP 0536293 A1
 (I) FILING DATE: 07-JUN-1991
 (J) PUBLICATION DATE: 14-APR-1993
 (K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 7: FROM 1 TO 1575

50 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

CC ATG GCG GCT TCC ATT GGA GCC TTA AAA TCT TCA CCT TCT TCT AAC 47
 Met Ala Ala Ser Ile Gly Ala Leu Lys Ser Ser Pro Ser Ser Asn
 55 1 5 10 15

	AAT TGC ATC AAT GAG AGA AGA AAT GAT TCT ACA CGT GCT GTA TCC AGC	95
	Asn Cys Ile Asn Glu Arg Arg Asn Asp Ser Thr Arg Ala Val Ser Ser	
	20 25 30	
5	AGA AAT CTC TCA TTT TCG TCT TCT CAT CTC GCC GGA GAC AAG TTG ATG	143
	Arg Asn Leu Ser Phe Ser Ser Ser His Leu Ala Gly Asp Lys Leu Met	
	35 40 45	
10	CCT GTA TCG TCC TTA CGT TCC CAA GGA GTC CGA TTC AAT GTG AGA AGA	191
	Pro Val Ser Ser Leu Arg Ser Gln Gly Val Arg Phe Asn Val Arg Arg	
	50 55 60	
15	AGT CCA ATG ATT GTG TCG CCA AAG GCT GTT TCT GAT TCG CAG AAT TCA	239
	Ser Pro Met Ile Val Ser Pro Lys Ala Val Ser Asp Ser Gln Asn Ser	
	65 70 75	
20	CAG ACA TGT CTA GAC CCA GAT GCT AGC CGG AGT GTT TTG GGA ATT ATT	287
	Gln Thr Cys Leu Asp Pro Asp Ala Ser Arg Ser Val Leu Gly Ile Ile	
	80 85 90 95	
25	CTT GGA GGT GGA GCT GGG ACC CGA CTT TAT CCT CTA ACT AAA AAA AGA	335
	Leu Gly Gly Gly Ala Gly Thr Arg Leu Tyr Pro Leu Thr Lys Lys Arg	
	100 105 110	
30	GCA AAG CCA GCT GTT CCA CTT GGA GCA AAT TAT CGT CTG ATT GAC ATT	383
	Ala Lys Pro Ala Val Pro Leu Gly Ala Asn Tyr Arg Leu Ile Asp Ile	
	115 120 125	
35	CCT GTA AGC AAC TGC TTG AAC AGT AAT ATA TCC AAG ATT TAT GTT CTC	431
	Pro Val Ser Asn Cys Leu Asn Ser Asn Ile Ser Lys Ile Tyr Val Leu	
	130 135 140	
40	ACA CAA TTC AAC TCT GCC TCT CTG AAT CGC CAC CTT TCA CGA GCA TAT	479
	Thr Gln Phe Asn Ser Ala Ser Leu Asn Arg His Leu Ser Arg Ala Tyr	
	145 150 155	
45	GCT AGC AAC ATG GGA GGA TAC AAA AAC GAG GGC TTT GTG GAA GTT CTT	527
	Ala Ser Asn Met Gly Gly Tyr Lys Asn Glu Gly Phe Val Glu Val Leu	
	160 165 170 175	
50	GCT GCT CAA CAA AGT CCA GAG AAC CCC GAT TGG TTC CAG GGC ACG GCT	575
	Ala Ala Gln Gln Ser Pro Glu Asn Pro Asp Trp Phe Gln Gly Thr Ala	
	180 185 190	
55	GAT GCT GTC AGA CAA TAT CTG TGG TTG TTT GAG GAG CAT ACT GTT CTT	623
	Asp Ala Val Arg Gln Tyr Leu Trp Leu Phe Glu Glu His Thr Val Leu	
	195 200 205	
60	GAA TAC CTT ATA CTT GCT GGA GAT CAT CTG TAT CGA ATG GAT TAT GAA	671
	Glu Tyr Leu Ile Leu Ala Gly Asp His Leu Tyr Arg Met Asp Tyr Glu	
	210 215 220	
65	AAG TTT ATT CAA GCC CAC AGA GAA ACA GAT GCT GAT ATT ACC GTT GCC	719
	Lys Phe Ile Gln Ala His Arg Glu Thr Asp Ala Asp Ile Thr Val Ala	
	225 230 235	
70	GCA CTG CCA ATG GAC GAG AAG CGT GCC ACT GCA TTC GGT CTC ATG AAG	767

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- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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	Val	Ser	Asn	Cys	Leu	Asn	Ser	Asn	Ile	Ser	Lys	Ile	Tyr	Val	Leu	Thr	
	130						135					140					
5	Gln	Phe	Asn	Ser	Ala	Ser	Leu	Asn	Arg	His	Leu	Ser	Arg	Ala	Tyr	Ala	
	145					150					155					160	
	Ser	Asn	Met	Gly	Gly	Tyr	Lys	Asn	Glu	Gly	Phe	Val	Glu	Val	Leu	Ala	
				165						170						175	
10	Ala	Gln	Gln	Ser	Pro	Glu	Asn	Pro	Asp	Trp	Phe	Gln	Gly	Thr	Ala	Asp	
				180					185						190		
	Ala	Val	Arg	Gln	Tyr	Leu	Trp	Leu	Phe	Glu	Glu	His	Thr	Val	Leu	Glu	
15			195					200					205				
	Tyr	Leu	Ile	Leu	Ala	Gly	Asp	His	Leu	Tyr	Arg	Met	Asp	Tyr	Glu	Lys	
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20	Phe	Ile	Gln	Ala	His	Arg	Glu	Thr	Asp	Ala	Asp	Ile	Thr	Val	Ala	Ala	
	225					230					235					240	
	Leu	Pro	Met	Asp	Glu	Lys	Arg	Ala	Thr	Ala	Phe	Gly	Leu	Met	Lys	Ile	
					245					250						255	
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				260					265						270		
	Gln	Leu	Gln	Ala	Met	Lys	Val	Asp	Thr	Thr	Ile	Leu	Gly	Leu	Asp	Asp	
			275					280					285				
30	Lys	Arg	Ala	Lys	Glu	Met	Pro	Phe	Ile	Ala	Ser	Met	Gly	Ile	Tyr	Val	
		290					295					300					
	Ile	Ser	Lys	Asp	Val	Met	Leu	Asn	Leu	Leu	Arg	Asp	Lys	Phe	Pro	Gly	
35	305					310					315					320	
	Ala	Asn	Asp	Phe	Gly	Ser	Glu	Val	Ile	Pro	Gly	Ala	Thr	Ser	Leu	Gly	
				325						330					335		
40	Met	Arg	Val	Gln	Ala	Tyr	Leu	Tyr	Asp	Gly	Tyr	Trp	Glu	Asp	Ile	Gly	
				340					345					350			
	Thr	Ile	Glu	Ala	Phe	Tyr	Asn	Ala	Asn	Leu	Gly	Ile	Thr	Lys	Lys	Pro	
			355					360					365				
45	Val	Pro	Asp	Phe	Ser	Phe	Tyr	Asp	Arg	Ser	Ala	Pro	Ile	Tyr	Thr	Gln	
		370					375					380					
	Pro	Arg	Tyr	Leu	Pro	Pro	Ser	Lys	Met	Leu	Asp	Ala	Asp	Val	Thr	Asp	
	385					390					395					400	
50	Ser	Val	Ile	Gly	Glu	Gly	Cys	Val	Ile	Lys	Asn	Cys	Lys	Ile	His	His	
				405						410					415		
	Ser	Val	Val	Gly	Leu	Arg	Ser	Cys	Ile	Ser	Glu	Gly	Ala	Ile	Ile	Glu	
55				420					425					430			

Asp Ser Leu Leu Met Gly Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Glu Thr Asp Ala Asp Arg
 435 440 445
 5 Lys Leu Leu Ala Ala Lys Gly Ser Val Pro Ile Gly Ile Gly Lys Asn
 450 455 460
 Cys His Ile Lys Arg Ala Ile Ile Asp Lys Asn Ala Arg Ile Gly Asp
 465 470 475 480
 10 Asn Val Lys Ile Ile Asn Lys Asp Asn Val Gln Glu Ala Ala Arg Glu
 485 490 495
 Thr Asp Gly Tyr Phe Ile Lys Ser Gly Ile Val Thr Val Ile Lys Asp
 500 505 510
 15 Ala Leu Ile Pro Ser Gly Ile Ile Ile
 515 520

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 1519 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 (B) LOCATION: 1..1410

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- (H) DOCUMENT NUMBER: EP 0536293 A1
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 (K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 9: FROM 1 TO 1519

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

AAC AAG ATC AAA CCT GGG GTT GCT TAC TCT GTG ATC ACT ACT GAA AAT 48
 Asn Lys Ile Lys Pro Gly Val Ala Tyr Ser Val Ile Thr Thr Glu Asn
 45 1 5 10 15
 GAC ACA CAG ACT GTG TTC GTA GAT ATG CCA CGT CTT GAG AGA CGC CGG 96
 Asp Thr Gln Thr Val Phe Val Asp Met Pro Arg Leu Glu Arg Arg Arg
 20 25 30
 50 GCA AAT CCA AAG GAT GTG GCT GCA GTC ATA CTG GGA GGA GGA GAA GGG 144
 Ala Asn Pro Lys Asp Val Ala Ala Val Ile Leu Gly Gly Gly Glu Gly
 35 40 45
 55 ACC AAG TTA TTC CCA CTT ACA AGT AGA ACT GCA ACC CCT GCT GTT CCG 192
 Thr Lys Leu Phe Pro Leu Thr Ser Arg Thr Ala Thr Pro Ala Val Pro

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5	GTT GGA GGA TGC TAC AGG CTA ATA GAC ATC CCA ATG AGC AAC TGT ATC Val Gly Gly Cys Tyr Arg Leu Ile Asp Ile Pro Met Ser Asn Cys Ile 65 70 75 80	240		
10	AAC AGT GCT ATT AAC AAG ATT TTT GTG CTG ACA CAG TAC AAT TCT GCT Asn Ser Ala Ile Asn Lys Ile Phe Val Leu Thr Gln Tyr Asn Ser Ala 85 90 95	288		
15	CCC CTG AAT CGT CAC ATT GCT CGA ACA TAT TTT GGC AAT GGT GTG AGC Pro Leu Asn Arg His Ile Ala Arg Thr Tyr Phe Gly Asn Gly Val Ser 100 105 110	336		
20	TTT GGA GAT GGA TTT GTC GAG GTA CTA GCT GCA ACT CAG ACA CCC GGG Phe Gly Asp Gly Phe Val Glu Val Leu Ala Ala Thr Gln Thr Pro Gly 115 120 125	384		
25	GAA GCA GGA AAA AAA TGG TTT CAA GGA ACA GCA GAT GCT GTT AGA AAA Glu Ala Gly Lys Lys Trp Phe Gln Gly Thr Ala Asp Ala Val Arg Lys 130 135 140	432		
30	TTT ATA TGG GTT TTT GAG GAC GCT AAG AAC AAG AAT ATT GAA AAT ATC Phe Ile Trp Val Phe Glu Asp Ala Lys Asn Lys Asn Ile Glu Asn Ile 145 150 155 160	480		
35	GTT GTA CTA TCT GGG GAT CAT CTT TAT AGG ATG GAT TAT ATG GAG TTG Val Val Leu Ser Gly Asp His Leu Tyr Arg Met Asp Tyr Met Glu Leu 165 170 175	528		
40	GTG CAG AAC CAT ATT GAC AGG AAT GCT GAT ATT ACT CTT TCA TGT GCA Val Gln Asn His Ile Asp Arg Asn Ala Asp Ile Thr Leu Ser Cys Ala 180 185 190	576		
45	CCA GCT GAG GAC AGC CGA GCA TCA GAT TTT GGG CTG GTC AAG ATT GAC Pro Ala Glu Asp Ser Arg Ala Ser Asp Phe Gly Leu Val Lys Ile Asp 195 200 205	624		
50	AGC AGA GGC AGA GTA GTC CAG TTT GCT GAA AAA CCA AAA GGT TTT GAT Ser Arg Gly Arg Val Val Gln Phe Ala Glu Lys Pro Lys Gly Phe Asp 210 215 220	672		
55	CTT AAA GCA ATG CAA GTA GAT ACT ACT CTT GTT GGA TTA TCT CCA CAA Leu Lys Ala Met Gln Val Asp Thr Thr Leu Val Gly Leu Ser Pro Gln 225 230 235 240	720		
60	GAT GCG AAG AAA TCC CCC TAT ATT GCT TCA ATG GGA GTT TAT GTA TTC Asp Ala Lys Lys Ser Pro Tyr Ile Ala Ser Met Gly Val Tyr Val Phe 245 250 255	768		
65	AAG ACA GAT GTA TTG TTG AAG CTC TTG AAA TGG AGC TAT CCC ACT TCT Lys Thr Asp Val Leu Leu Lys Leu Leu Lys Trp Ser Tyr Pro Thr Ser 260 265 270	816		
70	AAT GAT TTT GGC TCT GAA ATT ATA CCA GCA GCT ATT GAC GAT TAC AAT Asn Asp Phe Gly Ser Glu Ile Ile Pro Ala Ala Ile Asp Asp Tyr Asn 275 280 285	864		

GTC CAA GCA TAC ATT TTC AAA GAC TAT TGG GAA GAC ATT GGA ACA ATT 912
 Val Gln Ala Tyr Ile Phe Lys Asp Tyr Trp Glu Asp Ile Gly Thr Ile
 290 295 300

5 AAA TCG TTT TAT AAT GCT AGC TTG GCA CTC ACA CAA GAG TTT CCA GAG 960
 Lys Ser Phe Tyr Asn Ala Ser Leu Ala Leu Thr Gln Glu Phe Pro Glu
 305 310 315 320

10 TTC CAA TTT TAC GAT CCA AAA ACA CCT TTT TAC ACA TCT CCT AGG TTC 1008
 Phe Gln Phe Tyr Asp Pro Lys Thr Pro Phe Tyr Thr Ser Pro Arg Phe
 325 330 335

15 CTT CCA CCA ACC AAG ATA GAC AAT TGC AAG ATT AAG GAT GCC ATA ATC 1056
 Leu Pro Pro Thr Lys Ile Asp Asn Cys Lys Ile Lys Asp Ala Ile Ile
 340 345 350

TCT CAT GGA TGT TTC TTG CGA GAT TGT TCT GTG GAA CAC TCC ATA GTG 1104
 Ser His Gly Cys Phe Leu Arg Asp Cys Ser Val Glu His Ser Ile Val
 355 360 365

20 GGT GAA AGA TCG CGC TTA GAT TGT GGT GTT GAA CTG AAG GAT ACT TTC 1152
 Gly Glu Arg Ser Arg Leu Asp Cys Gly Val Glu Leu Lys Asp Thr Phe
 370 375 380

25 ATG ATG GGA GCA GAC TAC TAC CAA ACA GAA TCT GAG ATT GCC TCC CTG 1200
 Met Met Gly Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Gln Thr Glu Ser Glu Ile Ala Ser Leu
 385 390 395 400

30 TTA GCA GAG GCG AAA GTA CCG ATT GGA ATT GCG GAA AAT ACA AAA ATA 1248
 Leu Ala Glu Gly Lys Val Pro Ile Gly Ile Gly Glu Asn Thr Lys Ile
 405 410 415

AGG AAA TGT ATC ATT GAC AAG AAC GCA AAG ATA GGA AAG AAT GTT TCA 1296
 Arg Lys Cys Ile Ile Asp Lys Asn Ala Lys Ile Gly Lys Asn Val Ser
 420 425 430

35 ATC ATA AAT AAA GAC GGT GTT CAA GAG GCA GAC CGA CCA GAG GAA GGA 1344
 Ile Ile Asn Lys Asp Gly Val Gln Glu Ala Asp Arg Pro Glu Glu Gly
 435 440 445

40 TTC TAC ATA CGA TCA GGG ATA ATC ATT ATA TTA GAG AAA GCC ACA ATT 1392
 Phe Tyr Ile Arg Ser Gly Ile Ile Ile Ile Leu Glu Lys Ala Thr Ile
 450 455 460

45 AGA GAT GGA ACA GTC ATC TGA ACTAGGG AAGCACCTCT TGTTGAACTA 1440
 Arg Asp Gly Thr Val Ile
 465 470

CTGGAGATCC AAATCTCAAC TTGAAGAAGG TCAAGGGTGA TCCTAGCACG TTCACCAGTT 1500
 GACTCCCCGA AGGAAGCTT 1519

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 470 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(x) PUBLICATION INFORMATION:

(H) DOCUMENT NUMBER: EP 0536293 A1

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(K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 10: FROM 1 TO 470

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

15 Asn Lys Ile Lys Pro Gly Val Ala Tyr Ser Val Ile Thr Thr Glu Asn
 1 5 10 15
 20 Asp Thr Gln Thr Val Phe Val Asp Met Pro Arg Leu Glu Arg Arg Arg
 20 25 30
 25 Ala Asn Pro Lys Asp Val Ala Ala Val Ile Leu Gly Gly Gly Glu Gly
 35 40 45
 30 Thr Lys Leu Phe Pro Leu Thr Ser Arg Thr Ala Thr Pro Ala Val Pro
 50 55 60
 35 Val Gly Gly Cys Tyr Arg Leu Ile Asp Ile Pro Met Ser Asn Cys Ile
 65 70 75 80
 40 Asn Ser Ala Ile Asn Lys Ile Phe Val Leu Thr Gln Tyr Asn Ser Ala
 85 90 95
 45 Pro Leu Asn Arg His Ile Ala Arg Thr Tyr Phe Gly Asn Gly Val Ser
 100 105 110
 50 Phe Gly Asp Gly Phe Val Glu Val Leu Ala Ala Thr Gln Thr Pro Gly
 115 120 125
 55 Glu Ala Gly Lys Lys Trp Phe Gln Gly Thr Ala Asp Ala Val Arg Lys
 130 135 140
 60 Phe Ile Trp Val Phe Glu Asp Ala Lys Asn Lys Asn Ile Glu Asn Ile
 145 150 155 160
 65 Val Val Leu Ser Gly Asp His Leu Tyr Arg Met Asp Tyr Met Glu Leu
 165 170 175
 70 Val Gln Asn His Ile Asp Arg Asn Ala Asp Ile Thr Leu Ser Cys Ala
 180 185 190
 75 Pro Ala Glu Asp Ser Arg Ala Ser Asp Phe Gly Leu Val Lys Ile Asp
 195 200 205
 80 Ser Arg Gly Arg Val Val Gln Phe Ala Glu Lys Pro Lys Gly Phe Asp
 210 215 220

Leu Lys Ala Met Gln Val Asp Thr Thr Leu Val Gly Leu Ser Pro Gln
 225 230 235 240
 5 Asp Ala Lys Lys Ser Pro Tyr Ile Ala Ser Met Gly Val Tyr Val Phe
 245 250 255
 Lys Thr Asp Val Leu Leu Lys Leu Leu Lys Trp Ser Tyr Pro Thr Ser
 260 265 270
 10 Asn Asp Phe Gly Ser Glu Ile Ile Pro Ala Ala Ile Asp Asp Tyr Asn
 275 280 285
 Val Gln Ala Tyr Ile Phe Lys Asp Tyr Trp Glu Asp Ile Gly Thr Ile
 290 295 300
 15 Lys Ser Phe Tyr Asn Ala Ser Leu Ala Leu Thr Gln Glu Phe Pro Glu
 305 310 315 320
 Phe Gln Phe Tyr Asp Pro Lys Thr Pro Phe Tyr Thr Ser Pro Arg Phe
 325 330 335
 20 Leu Pro Pro Thr Lys Ile Asp Asn Cys Lys Ile Lys Asp Ala Ile Ile
 340 345 350
 Ser His Gly Cys Phe Leu Arg Asp Cys Ser Val Glu His Ser Ile Val
 355 360 365
 25 Gly Glu Arg Ser Arg Leu Asp Cys Gly Val Glu Leu Lys Asp Thr Phe
 370 375 380
 30 Met Met Gly Ala Asp Tyr Tyr Gln Thr Glu Ser Glu Ile Ala Ser Leu
 385 390 395 400
 Leu Ala Glu Gly Lys Val Pro Ile Gly Ile Gly Glu Asn Thr Lys Ile
 405 410 415
 35 Arg Lys Cys Ile Ile Asp Lys Asn Ala Lys Ile Gly Lys Asn Val Ser
 420 425 430
 Ile Ile Asn Lys Asp Gly Val Gln Glu Ala Asp Arg Pro Glu Glu Gly
 435 440 445
 40 Phe Tyr Ile Arg Ser Gly Ile Ile Ile Ile Leu Glu Lys Ala Thr Ile
 450 455 460
 Arg Asp Gly Thr Val Ile
 465 470

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 50 (A) LENGTH: 35 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

55 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

(x) PUBLICATION INFORMATION:

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

GTTGATAACA AGATCTGTTA ACCATGGCGG CTTC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 33 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

CCAGTTAAAA CGGAGCTCAT CAGATGATGA TTC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 30 base pairs

(B) TYPE: nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

GTGTGAGAAC ATAAATCTTG GATATGTTAC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 28 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

GAATTCACAG GGCCATGGCT CTAGACCC

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:15:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 40 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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- (K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 15: FROM 1 TO 40

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:15:

AAGATCAAAC CTGCCATGGC TTACTCTGTG ATCACTACTG

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:16:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 39 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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(K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 16: FROM 1 TO 39

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:16:

5 GCGAATTCAA GCTTGGATCC CGGGCCCCCC CCCCCCCC 39

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:17:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 10 (A) LENGTH: 24 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

15 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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 (K) RELEVANT RESIDUES IN SEQ ID NO: 17: FROM 1 TO 24

25 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:17:

GCGAATTCAA GCTTGGATCC CGGG 24

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:18:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- 30 (A) LENGTH: 32 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 35 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (synthetic)

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45 (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:18:

CCTCTAGACA GTCGATCAGG AGCAGATGTA CG 32

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Claims

- 55 1. A method of producing plant seeds having decreased oil content comprising providing increased levels of ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase within said seeds by transforming said plant using the following steps:
- (a) inserting into the genome of a plant cell a recombinant, double-stranded DNA molecule comprising
 - (i) a promoter which functions in plants to cause the production of an RNA sequence in plant seeds,
 - (ii) a structural DNA sequence that causes the production of an RNA sequence which encodes a

fusion polypeptide comprising an amino-terminal plastid transit peptide and an ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase enzyme,

(iii) a 3' non-translated DNA sequence which functions in plant cells to cause transcriptional termination and the addition of polyadenylated nucleotides to the 3' end of the RNA sequence;

5 (b) obtaining transformed plant cells; and

(c) regenerating from the transformed plant cells genetically transformed plants which produce seeds having a decreased oil content;

wherein said ADPglucose pyrophosphorylase enzyme is deregulated.

10 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said enzyme is from *E. coli*.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein said enzyme is *glgC16*.

15 4. The method of claim 3 wherein said plant is selected from the group consisting of wheat, canola, soybean, corn, cotton, sunflower, almond, cashew, pecan, walnut, and peanut.

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